MORNING APPEAL.

ThursdayJanuary 12, 1888

WE CANNOT AFFORD IT.

The rejection of Lamar would be the most unpolitic move that the Bepublican party could make.

After the war, certain amendments were added to the Constitution, granting amnesty to those who had been in arms against the Government. Lamar, a confederate soldier, accepting the verdict of the war, subscribed to these amendments, inducing his fellow soldiers to do the same. He did this unequivocally and publicly, and when accept the nomination until the Convention had incorporated the following plank in its platform:

Resolved, That we are opposed to the formation of parties among the people of this State founded on a difference of race or color, and we cordially invoke the union of all good citizens of every race and color in patrictic efforts to defeat at the next election the present State administration and its supporters, and to secure for all the blessings of honest and capable government.

Certainly, this does not sound anything like a robel yell.

In 1875 he spoke as follows before the Mississippi Convention:

"If any one thing is true, the people of Mississippi have pledged themselves to sustain the three amendments to the Constitution, and have no power or desire to change them. They confer upon the newly enfranchised race the sacred right of freedom, and their rights are your duties. If impaired by an act of yours, your duties are by that same act violated. The speaker felt it his duty to ascend to this high position on this subject. Any efforts, said he, looking to the abridgment of their rights, is fraught with disaster and burden and ruin to the people. The color line was talked of. He declared that it would be ruinous to the victors if a victory could be won in that way. It was not right; it was not republican. One of the principles d Democratic government was that all parts of the body politic shall contribute to its support and control. Any race organization which seeks to assert the exclusive management of a country may have a good government, but cannot have liberty. It is tyranny unmixed and fraught with disaster."

Is there anything in the above that any fair man can object to?

The three amendments to the Constitution came from the Republican party, and the Government of the United States endorsed them. If Lamar is rejected on the grounds that he bore arms against the North it is a proclamation to the country that the promises of the Republican party are mere hollow pretenses, and an acknowledgement to the world that the United States is a mation that openly repudiates its own Constitution.

Such an act would further solidify the South, would drive back into the ranks of Democracy thousands who are leaning toward the Republican party, and would subject us to the sneers and scorn of the Old World. We might as well repudiate our bonds and greenbacks as any clause in our Constitution. We cannot afford to place the party or the nation in so pitiable a position. The war was not one of conquest, but to establish peace. Were we to carry out the ideas of revenge and retaliation pushed by some, it would be moving back the hands on the dial plate of civilization to the time when the Huns ravaged the face of Europe, and the Gaule pillaged the cities of Italy.

It might as well be understood that when the Republican party places an amendment to the Constitution it means it—every word of it.

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